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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~FIG. 3A (respectively 3B) shows~~ FIGS. 3A and 3B show the variations in the refraction index (respectively in the extinction coefficient) as a function of the wavelength, for a material obeying to a law with two harmonic oscillators (curve I) and for a material characterised according to the invention; and

Please cancel the Abstract inserted at page 40 in its entirety and insert therefor the following replacement Abstract presented on a separate sheet as follows.